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Dear Sirs:

In accordance with established consultation guidelines, the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) is notifying Nevada tribes of the following proposed change in policy in Medicaid Services Manual Chapter 400, sections, 403.6B and 403.6C regarding Basic Skills Training and authorization clarification for Rehabilitative Mental Health services.

Medicaid will modify the prior authorization requirements to a notification process for Basic Skills Training service up to a maximum of 2 hours per day, continuing the prior authorization process for services above these limits. All Rehabilitative Mental Health Service authorization requests are for an independent period of time and not a continuation of services thus policy updates remove continuing stay or service references.

If you would like a specific consultation regarding this new policy, please contact Brandi Johnson at (775) 684-3611 who will schedule a meeting. We would appreciate a reply whether or not you would like this consultation; however if we do not hear from you within 30 days from the date of this letter we will consider this as an indication that no consultation is requested.

Sincerely,

Charles Duarte Administrator

Cc: Elizabeth Aiello, Deputy Administrator

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